CONSUMPTION OF LIQUOR—STEPS IN 1116 FOR REDUCTION

70. Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar *(Cheruthuruthi):* Will Government be pleased to state what steps, if any, they have taken in 1116 for reducing the consumption of liquor in the State?

Mr. M. Raman Menon *(Commissioner of Excise):*

(*a*) Wherever there was not much demand for liquor, shops were abolished.

(*b*) The limit of private possession of toddy without a license was reduced to 16 drams or 1/3 gallon in all Municipalities and within a distance of 5 miles from Municipalities.

(*c*) Vigorous preventive steps were taken to put down illicit traffic in liquor.

GRANT-IN-AID DISPENSARIES

71. Mr. T. S. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of Grant-in-aid Dispensaries in the State and the places where they are located;

(*b*) the number of Government dispensaries and the names of places where they are located;

(*c*) the number of out-patients who have attended the various

(1) Grant-in-aid dispensaries;

(2) the Government dispensaries in 1113, 1114 and 1115 (the figures in each dispensary to be given separately);

(*d*) the number of in-patients in the various Government dispensaries in the said years and the number of beds provided in each of these Government Dispensaries.

Dr. T. Verghese *(Chief Medical Officer):*

(*a*) 18 (for places please see the list placed on the Table).

(*b*) 16. The Dispensary at Vadakkancheri was converted into a hospital early this year. (For places please see the list placed on the Table).

(*c*) and (*d*) Please see the list placed on the Table.

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